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## SOPHS DANCE FEATURES REGGIE WALLEY'S BAND ON SATURDAY EVENING

This Saturday night, March 12, at eight o'clock in Alden Memorial, the Class of '62 will hold a Sophomore Dance for the first time. The class decided some time ago that an event of this sort, at this time on the Institute's social calendar, was sorely needed.

### Girls' Schools Invited

After meeting with members of his committee, Vic Castellani, who is in charge of publicity, has straightened out such matters as advertising and invitations. The publicity committee announced the girls from all the area schools have been invited. Invitations have been sent out to such women's schools as Wheaton, Simmons, Annhurst, and LaSalle.

Bob McIntosh and Dave McGuinness, Band Co-chairmen, report that the services of Reggie Walley have been procured for the occasion. Reggie, as many upperclassmen remember, performed at a school assembly two years ago. Since he has two vocalists in his troupe and he himself is a professional dancer, his operations can be considered the most versatile in the area.

### Expectations High

Bart Fowler who along with Dave France, is in charge of tickets, states that general admission will be one dollar. The tickets which have been printed up are to be sold through class



representatives on campus and in the fraternities.

It is hoped by president Bruce Bazely and the other members of the sophomore class that this event will be supported by the student body. The continuation of a sophomore dance of this nature depends largely on its success this Saturday night.

## WHO SAYS THERE IS A PARKING PROBLEM ON OUR SPACIOUS CAMPUS

BY BOB ELTON and CHARLIE PEIX

Although the city's greatest parking problem exists at a Viking Tower situated on a hill to our west, a definite parking problem exists on the Tech campus. Many gripes are heard from students and faculty, but most of these problems were explained in an exclusive interview with Nils Hagberg, WPI's answer to Joe Friday. The major gripes that Nils hears concern the lack and location of parking places and the registration, violation, and fine system.

Nils considers the complaint concerning the lack of parking spaces absolutely ridiculous. Nils says, "I have never seen the three quadrangle lots filled on a school day. We have 358 parking places on campus and only 280 commuters to fill them." Strangely enough, the problem is greatest for the faculty; last year there were 38 professors without parking spaces. This aspect of the problem is made more acute when the late-comer grabs Dean Downing's stall in order to make class on time.

What must a student do when he buys a car and wants to bring it to Tech? First, he must register his car for a fifty-cent charge, but let us remember at the University of Maryland, it costs \$93.60 to keep a car on campus. The two basic rules concerning violations are that parking is prohibited on East Campus, and that freshman residents of the dormitories are not allowed to park on campus. After a violation, a letter is sent to the offender requesting him to report to the Maintenance Building within five days. Anthony Ruksnaitis, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds said, "We're beginning to

crack down on these guys that don't show up." The first offense is free of charge, the second costs \$1, and the third cost \$3. At Boston University the charge is \$5 for the first offense, \$15 for the second, and \$25 for the third. Mr. Ruksnaitis pointed out, "If a boy is caught without a sticker, we give him an option between the fifty-cent registration fee and a five dollar fine." Summing things up, he chortled, "The boys have reacted nicely to the parking problem in comparison with other years."

Mr. Ruksnaitis pointed out that faculty and students are treated alike. A Civil Engineering professor commented, "This is true. One day last winter my car was snowed in by the drift from a snow plow. My car was tagged, and I had to pay the fine." Nils Hagsberg expressed quite the opposite view when he said, "The faculty disregards parking rules, because when I tag their cars, they just rip up the tickets."

In a reminiscent mood, Nils said, "About two years ago there was a grassy field where Morgan Hall stands now. At that time it was illegal to park in the gym parking lot. In the spring I would chase guys out of the gym parking lot and into that plot that was covered with thick spring mud. They'd peel out through that muddy plot and knock heck out of their springs."

All in all, we have things pretty good. With a little more cooperation from the faculty and the student body, the parking problem would be almost non-existent, and fewer people would be staring at those white parking tickets on snowy winter days.

## COMING 1960 FALL ISSUE OF COLLEGE WHO'S WHO TO INCLUDE 19 TECHMEN

### Vice President Active in Nat'l College Groups

One of the busiest members of the staff is Vice-President, Talman W. Van Arsdale Jr. In addition to constantly promoting alumni relations through many speeches, Dr. Van Arsdale is a member of the faculty of the Summer Institute for College Development Officers, a summer program designed to educate key members of college administrative boards on matters concerning public relations, fund raising, and development.

Recently, Dr. Van Arsdale spoke at Williamsburg, Virginia before the South-eastern Region of the Council for Financial Aid to Education. His speech was a part of a three-day workshop for college presidents. As a consultant for the Council, he has been invited to speak at several such workshops.

On March thirteenth through fifteenth he will speak before the Mid-West Region of the Council about a "College President's Relations with the Board of Trustees." In his talk, he points out how presidents can work in close coordination with the board of trustees to advance the welfare of the college. The first step to insure close relations is to encourage the trustees to become involved with college affairs. This can be accomplished, in part, by assigning at least one major responsibility to each board member. A second criterion for effective administration of the board of trustees is the diversity of its composition. Members should be elected from as many different fields as possible to afford a variety of opinions on questions involving the function of the college.

During his three-day stay at Kansas City, Dr. Van Arsdale will participate in various discussion groups, where many problems facing administrative personnel are investigated, and new ideas concerning development and relations are brought to light.

By actively participating in programs such as these, members of the staff of Worcester Tech are constantly striving to develop practices that lead to a better education for all.

### ROTC Trip Planned

Three Sophomores have decided to take advantage of an interesting program offered to Tech students taking ROTC. Bill Pfaffenbach, John Pitts, and Mike Rafferty accepted the Army's invitation to visit the United States Military Academy during the weekend of March 31-April 3, 1960. While visiting West Point, these students will participate in the regular daily life of a West Point Cadet. This means that they will attend classes, formations (including reveille), social functions, and be subject to the rules and regulations of the Cadet Corps. While at the academy, they will wear their ROTC uniforms and see first hand how a student at the academy lives.

### School Dean Announces Names of Outstanding Seniors to Be Listed

This fall nineteen seniors were honored by election to membership in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. Who's Who is an honor society comprised of the outstanding men on college campuses all over the country.

Every fall a list of nominations is made by the Tech Senate and Council of Presidents. After due discussion on each candidate the list is voted upon in order to cut it down to the quota set by the national Who's Who association. This year the quota for Tech was twenty-two. However, it was impossible to distinguish between all the good men in the twenty to twenty-five category. Thus the Tech Senate decided upon nineteen.

The most outstanding feature of the organization is the men in it. These men in three years at Tech have shown themselves to be outstanding in athletics, scholarship, and activities. They have taken upon themselves other duties and have still maintained the high standards that are traditional at Tech.

Each member will have his name printed in the bound volume of *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities*. In addition each member will receive an honorary certificate and a gold key as evidence of the honor. Who's Who also operates a placement bureau for the purpose of giving prospective employers a source of locating those who have shown exceptional ability while in college.

The following are the men elected to Who's Who at Tech this year:

**WILLIAM AITKEN**—Eta Kappa Nu, President; Tau Beta Pi, Treasurer; Band, President; Council of Presidents, Secretary-Treasurer; Tech Senate; Boyntonians; Interfraternity Council, Treasurer; Interfraternity Ball, Chairman; Junior Prom, Publicity Chairman; Tech News; Skull; Sigma Phi Epsilon.

**JOSEPH BARRESI**—Class Officer; Dorm Committee, Chairman; Newman Club, Vice-President; Junior Prom, Decorations Chairman; Football; Lacrosse; American Institute of Electrical Engineers; Skull, President; Phi Kappa Theta.

**PAUL BAYLISS**—Tau Beta Pi; Eta Kappa Nu; Pi Delta Epsilon; Athletic Council, Treasurer; Peddler, Business Manager; Tech News, Sports Editor; Class Gift Committee, Chairman; Student Service Council; Lacrosse, Manager; Football; Skull; Sigma Phi Epsilon, President.

**JOHN BIDDLE**—Class President; Tech Senate; Basketball, Co-Captain; Varsity Club; Phi Gamma Delta.

**WILLIAM BULLOCK**—Football, Co-Captain; Baseball; Varsity Club; Skull; Phi Kappa Theta.

**FRED DIPIPO**—Class President; Tech Senate, President; Basketball, Co-Captain; Baseball; Varsity Club; Dorm Counselor; Skull; Alpha Tau Omega.

**CARL DRISCOLL**—Tau Beta Pi; Eta Kappa Nu; Band; Phi Kappa Theta, President.

**RICHARD GESS**—Pi Delta Epsilon; Peddler, Managing Editor; Student Service Council; Class Secretary; Soccer; Glee Club; Head Dorm Counselor; Skull; Phi Sigma Kappa.

**JERRY GIBBS**—Tau Beta Pi, President; Distinguished Military Student; Class Vice-President; Masque; Interfraternity Ball Committee; Skull, Alpha Tau Omega, Vice-President.

**DAVID JOHNSON**—Baseball; Basketball; Class Treasurer; Council of Presidents; Varsity Club; American Institute of Chemical Engineers, President; Skull; Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

**RONALD POKRAKA**—Baseball, Captain; Football; Varsity Club; Tech Senate; American Institute of Electrical Engineers; Phi Kappa Theta.

**HARRY RAY**—Pi Delta Epsilon, President; Council of Presidents, Speaker; Peddler, Managing Editor; Track, Captain; Varsity Club, Secretary; Tech Senate; Interfraternity Council; Arts Society; American Institute of Chemical Engineers, Secretary; Protestant Christian Fellowship; Interfraternity Ball Committee; Dorm Counselor; Skull; Phi Sigma Kappa, Treasurer.

**EDWARD RUSSEL**—Pi Delta Epsilon, Secretary; Distinguished Military Student; Council of Presidents; Interfraternity Council, President; Junior Prom Committee Chairman; Tech News, Managing Editor; Peddler; Newman Club; Interfraternity Ball Committee; Wrestling Club, Treasurer; American Institute of Chemical Engineers; Phi Kappa Theta, President.

**EDWARD STEFANINI**—Pi Delta Epsilon; Tech News, Copy Editor; Peddler, Editor-in-Chief; Newman Club; Bridge Club; I.H.E.E.; Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

**BERNIE TETREAULT**—Tau Beta Pi; Student Service Council, Chairman; Junior Prom, Chairman; Council of Presidents; Tech Senate, Secretary-Treasurer; Soccer; Varsity Club; Skull; Phi Kappa Theta, Vice-President.

**ARA TUTUNJIAN**—Eta Kappa Nu; Pi Delta Epsilon; Peddler, Copy Editor; Lacrosse, Co-Captain; Athletic Association, President; Varsity Club; Council of Presidents; Student Service Council; Dorm Counselor; Sigma Phi Epsilon.

**JOHN VALE**—Tech Senate; Interfraternity Council; Distinguished Military Student; Dorm Counselor; Alpha Epsilon Pi.

**LOUIS VARUZZO**—Tech News, Editor; Council of Presidents; Track; Pi Delta Epsilon; Peddler; Phi Kappa Theta.

**THOMAS ZIMMIE**—Tau Beta Pi; Football; Civil Engineering Honor Society, President; American Society of Civil Engineers, Vice-President; Head Dorm Counselor; Phi Kappa Theta.

### Snowstorm Prevents Business at Council

Thursday night, March 3, the Council of Presidents met in the Greene Room of Alden Memorial. After a brief discussion it was agreed that the Tech Student-Speaker Forum should be under the jurisdiction of the speaker of the Council of Presidents, the president of Tech Senate, the presidents of

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## EDITORIAL PAGE

EDITORIAL  
SENIORS AND PLACEMENT

Although for the most part placement is going pretty well with the seniors, a somewhat serious problem seems to have developed lately. Believe it or not in a few recent cases there appears to be a scarcity not of recruiters, but of people to be recruited.

Last week Mr. Trask of the placement office had to cancel four companies in two days. The reason why he had to do this was because no seniors, or very few, had signed up for interviews with these companies. All four of the companies that were canceled need engineers, are stable and prosperous, and are willing to pay well. But none of the four have a "big game name."

To put it briefly, Mr. Trask is worried that many companies such as these will have come and gone without interviews, while at the end of the year there will be some of the senior class who will not have jobs. The placement office has no problem getting seniors to sign up for interviews with the large, big-name companies. But these large companies do not hire everyone, and can afford selectivity.

Mr. Trask hopes that some of the seniors will not do themselves an injustice by setting their sights too high by only interviewing the larger companies, letting many excellent opportunities with smaller, yet prosperous corporations slip by, and then ending without a job in June. Another bad feature about the lack of interest is that if these companies do not have any luck here this year, they will not bother coming back next year, leaving next year's seniors with a real drawback.

Although this problem of lack of interest in some smaller companies has not yet reached a dangerous state, it is serious enough to have caused Mr. Trask to ask us to write an editorial comment on the situation. The problem lies mainly with some seniors who have avoided the smaller companies. However, it is still not too late to begin investigating this presently neglected area in job opportunities.—J.J.G.

## PROSPECTIVE FROSH

Of the multitudinous problems with which Worcester Tech's administration must contend, the efficient handling of visiting prospective freshmen has risen sharply in complexity over the past few years. During the 1959-1960 term approximately 900 men have visited or will visit the school. In an effort to assist in coping with this problem, the members of the Student Service Council proposed at their last meeting that they volunteer to guide these men around. (At that time, they were unaware of the magnitude of the task that they would encounter.)

When Dean Downing was informed of their proposal, he expressed his sincere appreciation of its intent, but smilingly refused the offer. He has toyed with the idea of having student guides for quite a while, for obviously this would leave the visitor with a very good impression of Worcester Tech. For obvious reasons, however, the plan has never gotten beyond the "it would be a nice idea" stage. Instead the prospective student, after talking with either Dean Downing or Dean Hollows, is given a map of the school and is allowed to tour the campus on his own.

This situation is certainly not the most desirable, but it does suffice. One of the reasons for this is the hospitable

attitude shown by some of the members of the student body. Many letters have been received from the visitors expressing their thanks for the fact that students who happened to be around made them feel so at home.

To those who have performed this service a vote of commendation is certainly in order. Those of you to whom this has not occurred might do well to consider its possibilities. Though our complaints may center around the ground at Tech, there are few of us who do not have a deep pride in our school. Certainly the expenditure of five minutes in talking with one of these men, or even showing them around the particular building that you are in at the time, is not too great a task. The value of this act to the school will make it well worth while. Not only will it influence the person that you aid in this manner, but it may have deeper consequences in that it may influence people with whom they discuss Tech later on.—G.F.F.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

Since the reports of last term's grades were issued three weeks ago, a widespread discontent has overtaken our Campus. Rumors have become thicker than the ivy on Alden Memorial, and still no official verification or clarification of the situation has been heard. Now I don't propose to offer any hard facts on this matter, for the only facts available stem from personal observations. I would, however, like to leave a few thoughts with you and your readers that may clarify somewhat, our position as students of W.P.I.

It seems that we now have a new system of grading at Tech this year. As far as we who have been here for more than one year can ascertain, this 'system' is proving to be one of the most efficient means of eliminating one half of the student body ever imagined! The reason for this amazing success is obvious: the 'system' has destroyed the average student.

The average student used to be one who would receive a numerical grade point average of from 73 to 77 under the old system. His efforts would include individual subject grades ranging from 65 to 85 which, when evaluated as to their credit hour importance, would lead to the mid 70 grade point average. He saw as many students above as below him and thus (received) his "average" classification. That was last year!

This year, he is maintaining his individual subject grades at the same relative level (ranging from D's to B's), but he finds that his grade point average is below the so called "school standards" of the 2.0. Furthermore, he now sees fewer students above him and more below (and with) him than before, while the 'glorious school average' remains (as near as he can guess from a poll of fellow students) at the same relative level of 2.4 (equivalent to a 73 or 74). In other words, the school average appears to be a mere four tenths of a point away from the probational level which would indicate that almost half of the student body is flunking out! This may seem impossible at first, until he realizes that for every two students at the 2.0 mark, one student with a 3.5 can pull the school average up to the 2.5 level. This is his problem, and our problem!

The solution to this problem lies in the hands of the individual instructors. They must realize that this new system can never function properly as long as they continue to mark by the old standards. This means that an A is indicative of outstanding achievement in a course, granted to a mere handful of fortunate individuals, and the D indicates sufficient

knowledge of a course to allow full credit. Unless they understand that a D is now a flunking grade, and that, in order to maintain a sane school average, there must be as many A's and B's in any one course, as there are C's and D's, they will be lecturing to ten students and ten vacant chairs next semester! Along this same line of reasoning, the power afforded the instructors of the so called "secondary subjects" (offered to us to 'round us out') borders on the ridiculous. Should a student encounter a particular inaptitude in one of these low credit hour courses, even though he maintains a 2.0 average in all of his other subjects, he may find himself on an extended six month 'vacation' when June rolls around.

Now, I'm not asking too much; all that I want to know is where do we stand, What are the facts? Where are the facts? Is it too much to ask?

Even without these figures on grades, it is quite evident that a reevaluation of the levels of student ability and a conscientious reform of the grades assigned to them by our faculty is in order. Unless something along this line is done, and done soon, a mistake will become a catastrophe and Worcester Tech will become a ghost school!

Sincerely,  
Richard LaJeunesse

## "WAY BACK WHEN...."

30 YEARS AGO AND TEN YEARS AGO

MARCH 3-MARCH 9, 1930

Professor H. F. Taylor, Secretary of the Alumni Association, is now at the Rutland Sanitarium where he is being treated.

The Chemistry Department recently purchased a Davis fire blanket which has been installed in the laboratory for organic chemistry. To operate it, the person whose clothes are on fire slips one arm through a catch-rope attached to the outer edges of the blanket and then twirls his body. This causes the blanket to unwind from the roller and wind tightly about the body, thus smothering the fire.

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(Quote) Col. Charles A. Lindburg: "Flashings made by the poles of trolley cars are noticeable when flying in a dense fog, even when other lights are not distinguishable."

The last meeting of the growing Debating Club was held Friday afternoon, February 28, in Boynton Hall.

Theta Upsilon Omega leads in the bowling tournament.

The first meeting of the American Society of Civil Engineers will be held tonight. A talk will be given, with the aid of motion pictures, about the construction of Mt. Hope bridge, recently built to shorten the route from Providence to Newport.

This week the present board of Editors of the Tech News retire in favor of a new regime.

The Coolidge Dam, built for irrigation purposes, on the Gila River in Arizona, was formally dedicated by former President Coolidge on March 4.

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Notice to Becker, etc: Dr. James Bender, director of the National Institute for Human Relations, says "Engineers have the best hearts for marriage." But he warned that most engineers are shy fellows and need prodding.

Reasons for statement:

1. They apply logic to morals, economics, science, and job loyalty.
2. They are a bit shy—one woman men who don't get involved with their secretaries.
3. They are homebodies who like to putter around the house.
4. They are "tender lovers". . . .

Tech swimmers washed out in Two Tilts as Middies and M.I.T. romp 44-31, 57-18.

Sigma Phi Epsilon takes league lead in I.F. Bowling.

Tech team trampled by tall, tough, Tufts terrors, 64-39. The mighty Jumbos of Tufts College used the Tech men for a warm-up for their bid to national acclaim in the N.A.I.B. "As for outstanding points in the game . . . let's just say Ref. Eddie Boyle was dynamic!"

(Flash) National Survey to study college drinking habits. Chief extra-curricular activity interests Yale Professors. (Don't fly into an uproar, men; there's no guarantee that Whoopee Tech will be "tapped" for samples) . . . Lord knows that we can lay claim to nothing representative, so they'll probably pass us by.

## Notice to Organizations

Future issues of the TECH NEWS will provide an eleven day calendar of events. Clubs and other Campus Organizations may indicate events to take place from Wednesday thru Saturday of the following week. Announcements should be sent to the TECH NEWS no later than one week preceding issue of the paper.

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## BASKETBALL TEAM ENDS YEAR STRONG, WINS TWO

The basketball team finished off its season in a blaze of glory in the last two games. By beating Lowell Tech and then Middlebury, the squad showed what it could have done all year. Our basketball team should have had a much better record than seven wins and ten losses. Coach Charles McNulty had a good starting five and a very good bench to support them. When you leave the starting five in the game for three quarters and it's a very fast game, they're bound to falter a little. The time outs weren't even adequately used to give the team a rest.

The team as a whole was hot and cold all season. A sizeable amount of the games this season were lost by five points or less. These losses could have easily been turned into wins with a little more effort and spirit. Surely the team had enough support at home. The gym is always packed when there's a home basketball game. Also it is evident that the team relied on Fred DiPippo a little too much. In the few games when Fred was double teamed or just wasn't hitting, the team fell apart.

DiPippo, who was a consistent scorer all season, with the exception of one or two games, was the driving force that kept the team going. He never lost his spirit and would fight to win up to the last second. His long set shot and running jump shot will be severely missed by the Coach next year.

The other Senior on the team is Buzz Biddle. Buzz like the team itself was also hot and cold all season. He'd play a terrific game one week and then just seem to lose the touch in the next game. His presence was always felt under the boards. A big man, Buzz was hard to move out of position when he didn't want to go. From the outside he had a good jump shot, which he never seemed to miss.

Teaming up with Buzz under the boards were Al St. Germain and Bob Schussler. Al has improved a great deal since last year and proved it a number of times when he took over for Buzz and Fred in the scoring column. He proved himself a good shooter and a high scorer a number of times. In the basic offense Al was the center man. He'd stand on the foul line and either feed to a man open or pick for someone cutting around him for the basket.

Bob Schussler, who is only about six feet tall, was the third man under the boards for Tech. When he went in for the rebound he'd more than likely

come up with the ball. Bob was good under the boards and had an accurate jump shot from the outside.

The fifth spot on the starting five was fought for by four players. Andy Edelman, Dave Luoma, Roger Curtis and Hank Schroeder played there different times through out the season. Everyone mentioned could fill in at that position and never detract from the other four.

Andy Edelman, a starter in his Freshman year, baffled the opposition and drew cheers a number of times. Andy possesses the ability to make the impossible play look very easy when he performs it. Due to muscular trouble, he was off his stride at the beginning of the season. He bounded back at the end of the season to play some excellent basketball in the last few games.

Roger Curtis, was another fine addition to the team. Roger hasn't seemed to be able to gain confidence in his shooting ability but his skill on defense often overshadows this. Having a pair of very quick hands, he can steal the ball from the best of them. If

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## Junior Varsity Basketball Team Finishes Season

The J.V. Basketball team finished the season last week by beating Lowell Tech 74-40 and losing to Leicester Junior College 71-52.

On Feb. 27, the team faced Lowell Tech and due to the good teamwork downed them with little trouble.

The following week March 2, the "Tech five" went into competition with Leicester J. C., but were not working as a team and lost the game.

It appears that if the J.V. squad could have worked together a little longer they would have come up with an unbeatable combination. There is an amazing amount of talent on the squad and individual performances show it. This years J.V. team, like the varsity, has had many bad breaks and lost several games by just a point or two.

Good performances were turned in by Jim Magaldi, Dick Keirstead, John Machonis, and Jim Daily. Strong backing was given by Ken Turnquist, Charley Peix, Bill Zinno, and Dick Allen. Coach Merl Norcross thinks that several of his men will help the varsity squad next year, and that they will be men to watch in the future.

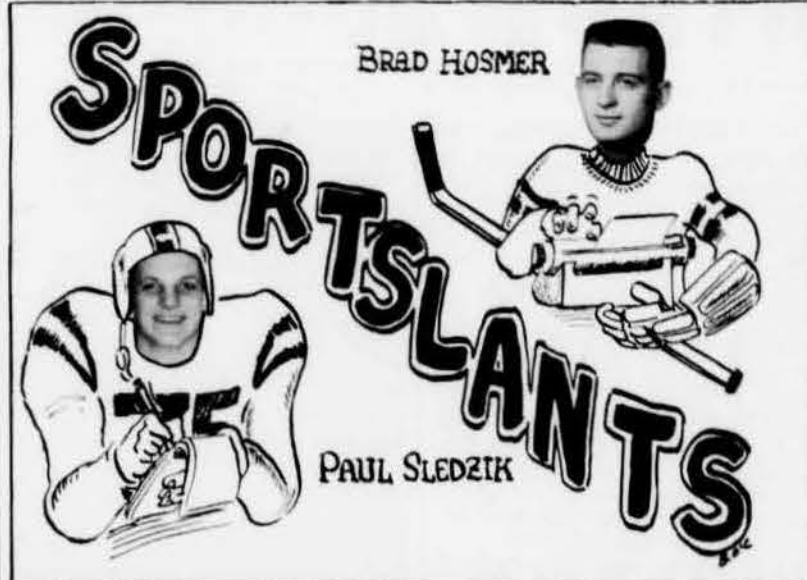
## Wrestler Rees Cops Third Place in New England

On Friday and Saturday, March 4 and 5, the New England Intercollegiate Wrestling Championships were held at Williams College in Williamstown, Mass.

On hand to represent Worcester Tech were its three finest wrestlers, 123-lb. John Lewis, 147-lb. Charlie Mello, and Tech's 157-lb. captain, Moe Rees. The competition was the best to be assembled anywhere in New England. It would be a memorable weekend for all those present. But for Morgan Rees it would be an unforgettable one. The 157-lb. junior civil engineer from Kingston, Pa., put on the wrestling show of his life and battled himself to a third place finish in his weight class. His schedule consisted of four matches with the best wrestlers in New England. Moe came through with three overwhelming victories and but for a heart-breaking defeat at the hands of the eventual champion, would have gone on to win the title himself. On Friday, the fifth-seeded Rees was pitted against fourth-seeded Brown of M.I.T. and found little trouble in turning him back, 5-0. Rees looked exceptionally sharp in this match. The next match was without a doubt the biggest and most numerous attended match of the entire tournament. Rees was to face Bobby Retcher of Springfield. Retcher was undefeated in 11 matches during the regular season and was seeded number one in the tournament. Rees and Retcher fought for nine full minutes to a 7-7 draw. They were forced to go into 2, two-minute overtimes and when the final bell had sounded, Retcher was the winner, 9-7, via a time advantage. From here Retcher went on to win the tournament. It was a tough one to lose; almost heartbreaking. Most wrestlers would have given up after such a loss. But such was not the case with Rees. Forced to wrestle the same evening as his marathon with Retcher and obviously very tired, he was put against Leland of Amherst in a consolation round and came through with a 10-0 victory. The next day in the final consolation round, Moe defeated Johnson of Wesleyan, 5-3, to give him the third place spot.

Although Rees' performance took the spotlight, we do not wish to take any credit away from the performance of Mello and Lewis. Both of these boys were at a tremendous disadvantage because of their lack of experience, but none-the-less made a very creditable showing of themselves. Wrestling at 123-lbs., Lewis found himself matched against the defending champion, Campana of Springfield, in the first round. Lewis was pinned in the second period as Campana went on to repeat as champion. In the consolation round, John was also pinned, this time by the fourth place winner, Leigh of Coast Guard. At 147-lbs., Mello met much the same fate as his team-mate. In the first round he was pitted against the eventual second-place winner, Lightner of Coast Guard, and was pinned in 7:50. In the consolation round Charlie was outpointed by Lowden of Wesleyan, 5-0.

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Wouldn't you know it? Now that the winter sports season is over we find ourselves buried under a couple of feet of snow. The coaches of the spring sports are having a fit. The relatively mild winter we have had thus far lead many of them into the false hope that spring would come early, thus giving the teams plenty of time to prepare for the coming seasons. But, as in the last two years, it looks as though winter is just beginning to hit. Well, I guess there's no sense getting discouraged, we may see a robin or two before school lets out.

Congratulations are in order to the members of the wrestling team who participated in the wrestling tournament at Williams College last Friday and Saturday. Moe Rees placed third in his weight class after being decided by the man who eventually went on to place first. Also representing Worcester Tech were: John Lewis and Charlie Mello. Although neither placed, both turned in fine performances. A good job well done, men.

The basketball team came through with some late season wins to compile a fairly respectable record. Lack of height and rebounding strength hurt the team all season. Hank Schroeder, Bob Schussler, and Al St. Germain will be counted on very heavily next year to carry the biggest part of the rebounding load. The backcourt seems to be fairly well stocked for next season with Roger Curtis, Dave Luoma, and Andy Edelman. Looking to the JV's, the prospects look rather dismal. From here it doesn't look as if next year's varsity is going to get much help from this year's JV's.

Although the 2-9-1 record compiled by the hockey team this season looks rather unimpressive, coach Waino Gustafson is optimistic about the future. He feels that the great percentage of under-classmen on the team is a good sign. It means that there is a great deal of interest and enthusiasm and, with this, any team is potentially a good one. However, no team is any good unless it can have time to practice and work together as a unit. The eleven hours of practice which the team was able to have this year seems like a small amount of time in which to build a winning team. Considering the many handicaps the team faced, the over-all performance was good. Several times, victories were very close at hand only to be lost by one or two goals. From next year's team we can expect great improvement and certainly a better record.

We will all be looking with great interest to the coming track meet, at the University of Connecticut, later this month. Worcester Tech will send several performers to compete against some of the best athletes in the east. If the men do as well as they did in the K of C and BAA meets they will certainly rate hearty praise for a job well done.

The wrestling team certainly has come a long way in its short three year history. Much praise is deserved by Coach Ray Scott for his hard work and the many hours of time he spends working with the team both during the season and in the off-season months, working with scheduling and the like. Wrestling is a tiring sport requiring extreme physical conditioning. In order to get into top physical shape much work must be done. Even in the face of the hard work and effort few, if any, ever quit the wrestling team, so great is their love for the sport. Student interest has been good throughout the year, with home meets well attended. It would appear that varsity status is not too far off for this hard-working group.

The coming I.F. basketball season looks like it will be a good one. Perennial powerhouse Phi Kap looks loaded this year, and should have very little trouble winning the league. The only competition which they will receive will no doubt come from Phi Sig. In recent years PSK has been strong, but we feel that they are no match for the Kap's. The exciting part of the race will be for the mad scramble for the second third and fourth places. They belong to anyone, and some very exciting games will be played to decide just who they do belong to.

In closing we would like to extend to Dave Krashes best wishes for a speedy recovery.

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For those freshman spending their first winter in Worcester, I would like to say a few words about the recent storm. It isn't really the Street Department's fault that you couldn't move your cars without a plow in front. After all they did send out the sanding trucks as soon as the storm began. Did you notice though, how well they kept the main streets open? Of course nobody could get to the main streets since the side streets were impassable, but then Commissioner Donohue can't be expected to think of everything. The storm didn't seem to bother the Greeks, though, as P-4 exams and fraternity parties went on regardless.

S.A.E. was the scene of a "Roaring Twenties" party last Saturday night. The brothers and their dates were dressed in colorful costumes of that famous decade. Of course, the members of the "Blue Blazer Club" were seen fanning the flames. Who knows, some day they may even present a threat as competition in the "Four Roses Society." The basketball team looks as if it will have a winning season in the I.F. League this year. The team recently defeated the Lincoln Square Boy's Club. Congratulations to Brothers Condrate, Loring and Hackendorf who were recently voted into Sigma Xi Honor Society.

A.E.P. took to the hay last Saturday night as brothers and dates made the scene at Cunniff's Lodge in Westboro. The evening started with a hay ride and ended with a caravan back to the city. The basketball team, coached by Andy Edelman, is all set to begin the season with ATO. Dick Cohen has a little competition for house hero. Marty Gross is moving up fast. The pool on when a certain brother from Manchuria will be pinned is really picking up steam.

The brothers of Lambda Chi Alpha are happy to announce the pledging of Paul Ulcickas, Richard Garvais, and Henry Torcellini. This week saw the house buzzing with activity. As usual, you couldn't get within ten feet of the telephone booth as brothers and pledges were busy getting dates for what turned out to be one of the biggest productions of Lambda Chi's social season, our "Playboy Party." With the wailing notes of Ray Zecco's combo supplying the beat, 30 Trowbridge Road came to life and literally shook to its foundations.

The past weekend found Sig Eps and their dates at 26 Institute Road by invitation of their cousins from Phi Kap. Dick Freeman and company provided the coolest jazz sounds, much to the pleasure of all who attended. The presence of several members of the faculty added to the festivities of the evening. It was a truly great party, and the 11 Boynton Greeks would like to express their appreciation. Scratch Engvall, George Foxhall, and Lee Gazoorian have dropped their pins to Betsy Glass, Doty Duclos, and Sandy Markarian, respectively.

The FiJi pledges emerged victorious over Theta Chi's pledges in a very high spirited volleyball contest, marked by strong vocal support on the part of the brothers. Saturday night there was a combined party at the lodge with the brothers and pledges of Theta Chi. Refreshments were provided by the losing team. It seems that Brother Shepherd has been doing quite well along social lines. Bought any new books lately, Bill? Brother Nelson is happy to see that the high demand for flour around

the lodge has seemingly subsided and that spice has taken over.

The OX clubbers of Theta Chi have finally settled down after their house weekend. The hay from the western party has all finally been cleaned up, and the house put back in shape. For a while it was hard to tell if it was a fraternity house or a livery stable. Tribute should go to Phil O'Reilly, Dan Pender, Bill Properzio, Ralph Herick, Mike O'Toole, and Roger Reed who led the Theta Chi swimming team on to a resounding victory in the I.F. swim meet.

The Kap entertained their 11 Boynton Street friends Saturday night in their new game room, however, someone spread a rumor that the Kap had given up heat for Lent. There were some casualties due to the weather. The annex has not been heard from

since last Thursday and Bob Wilder's Volkswagen was buried so deep it was plowed away three times. The process of letting off steam included a snowball fight with the actives of ATO, until our police department friends helped terminate the activities. The snowball fans then proceeded to continue the action at Becker.

It has been a very hectic week at Phi Sig, as brothers Cushing, Alteiri, and Gregoritsch will verify. They all agreed that Hank Hyde had a terrific idea in scheduling skiing and winter sports for Saturday afternoon of House Weekend, but they all wish he hadn't overdone his snow dance. Oh well, this will teach those with girls back home the procuring local talent has its advantages.

Congratulations and astonishment were the keynote this week as brother Suski pulled the unexpected—we wish you and wife Dottie nothing but the best, Walt.

#### BASKETBALL—From Page 3

Roger can develop a shot and retain his skill on defense he'll be one of the men to watch on next year's team.

Another player that's going to play an important part in future basketball at Worcester Tech is Hank Schroeder. Hank only played a year of high school ball before coming to Tech. Short on experience he is unquestionably long on height and given time he will surely be a key man in the future.

Dave Luoma moved into the starting five midway through the season and proved his ability by staying there.

Dave is a fine ball handler and has a very good driving lay up.

Harry Rapelje, Paul Engstrom and Charlie Elfrich are three more members of that strong bench. All three played more toward the end of the season and showed that they too could keep up with the best of them.

Why a losing season then? No one can really give a complete answer. If you saw a majority of the games you probably have your own opinion. With a little more teamwork and support the basketball squad should improve.

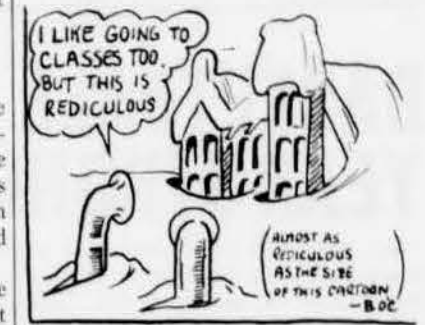
#### TECH COUNCIL—From Page 1

each of the upper classes and the chairman of the Freshman class. Previously, president Bronwell was in charge of this aspect of Tech life, but it was felt that due to its rapid growth in recent months, the program required too much of the president's time.

Jack Gabarro, Editor in Chief of the Tech News, then brought up a request

for an appropriation of more funds in order that the News could continue as a weekly. Due to inclement weather, however, the three-quarter membership quorum was not present and as a result, no business was transacted. The Council then decided to adjourn until March 17.

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